

## **Resolution Number 2010-10 - Council support for the Development of a pedestrian, bicycle and transit enhancement plan**

City Council

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### **RESOLUTION NO. 2010-10 WEST LINN, OREGON**

#### **A RESOLUTION OF THE WEST LINN CITY COUNCIL INDICATING ITS SUPPORT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PEDESTRIAN, BICYCLE AND TRANSIT ENHANCEMENT PLAN.**

**WHEREAS**, in 2006, the City of West Linn adopted the Sustainable West Linn Strategic Plan that discusses and advocates for the City and the community to reduce automobile dependence by making it easier for people to get around without cars; and

**WHEREAS**, the sustainability plan also calls for completing the bike and sidewalk network, encouraging the use of public transportation, and emphasizing transit-friendly, pedestrian-friendly, mixed-use development along major arterials; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of West Linn Comprehensive Plan establishes goals and policies that promote a comprehensive and cohesive network of pedestrian and bicycle paths, lanes and routes which connect the four commercial centers of the City, integrate with regional bicycle and pedestrian routes and provide connections to schools, recreational facilities, community centers and transit facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comprehensive Plan also prioritizes improvements that increase overall mobility, improve pedestrian and bicycle accessibility along major transit routes, and supports a transit system that is accessible to the largest number of people by promoting transit-oriented development and evaluating more intense and mixed-use zoning designations in areas around transit supportive uses; and

**WHEREAS**, the regional population is expected to increase by 1 million inhabitants by 2030; and

**WHEREAS**, this projected population increase is expected to result in 70 percent greater freeway traffic volumes than in 2005; and

**WHEREAS**, the Regional Transportation Plan serves as the transportation system plan for the Portland Metropolitan Region and establishes goals and policy for Metro jurisdictions; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2035 Regional Transportation Plan is scheduled for adoption in June 2010 and will require that Metro jurisdictions update their local Transportation Systems Plans to conform with updated congestion, land use and air quality targets within one year of its adoption; and

**WHEREAS**, the West Linn Parks and Recreation Department is currently in the process of developing a trails refinement plan to improve recreational opportunities and facilitate pedestrian and bike mobility; and

**WHEREAS**, ORS 195.115 directs cities and counties to work with school district personnel to identify barriers and hazards to children walking or bicycling to and from school; and

**WHEREAS**, the Transportation and Growth Management Grant exists to support community efforts that expand local and regional transportation options and works to create livable communities and neighborhoods that are connected by safe and efficient pedestrian, bicycle and motor vehicle routes; and

**WHEREAS**, improving pedestrian and bicycle access promotes community vitality, encourages greater physical and social wellbeing, and reduces dependence on automobiles

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST LINN THAT:**

Section 1: As part of its efforts to provide for a more sustainable and livable future for the citizens of West Linn, the West Linn City Council supports the creation of a Pedestrian, Bike and Transit Enhancement Plan to identify opportunities for improving the safety and effectiveness of pedestrian and bicycle circulation in the City.

Section 2: City staff is directed to complete the TGM Grant application for submittal to ODOT by 4:00pm on March 12, 2010.

Section 3: This resolution is effective upon passage.

This resolution is adopted this 8th day of March 2010.

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